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official statements of organizations to which the applicant belongs or refers in his application, that the applicant desires to be considered by the authority reviewing his application. The burden is on the applicant to obtain and forward such information.

#### § 75.10 Statement (counseling concerning Veterans Administration benefits).

I have been advised of the provisions of 38 U.S.C. 3103 concerning possible nonentitlement to benefits administered by the Veterans Administration due to discharge from the military service as a conscientious objector under certain conditions. I understand that a discharge as a conscientious objector, who refused to perform military duty or otherwise to comply with lawful orders of competent military authority, shall bar all rights, based upon the period of service from which discharged, under any laws administered by the Veterans Administration except my legal entitlement (if any) to any war risks, government (converted) or National Service Life Insurance.

#### § 75.11 Statement (counseling concerning designation as conscientious objector).

I have been counseled concerning designation as a conscientious objector. Based on my religious training and belief, I consider myself to be a conscientious objector within the meaning of the statute and regulations governing conscientious objectors and am conscientiously opposed to participation in combatant training and service. I request assignment to noncombatant duties for the remainder of my term of service. I fully understand that on expiration of my current term of service I am not eligible for voluntary enlistment, reenlistment, or active service in the Armed Forces.

# PART 77—PROGRAM TO ENCOURAGE PUBLIC AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

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## § 77.1 Purpose.

This part implements Pub. L. 102-484, Section 4462 and Pub. L. 103-160, Section 561 by establishing policy, assigning responsibilities, and prescribing procedures to:

- (a) Encourage and assist separating Service members, Service members retiring with 20 or more years of service, DoD civilian personnel leaving the Government, and spouses to enter public and community service employment.
- (b) Encourage and assist Service members requesting retirement with fewer than 20 years of service to register for public and community service employment.

## § 77.2 Applicability and scope.

This part applies to:

- (a) The Office of the Secretary of Defense, the Military Departments, the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the Unified Combatant Commands, and the Defense Agencies (hereafter referred to collectively as "the DoD Components"). The term "Military Services," as used herein, refers to the Army, the Navy, the Air Force, and the Marine Corps.
- (b) All active duty Service members and former members under Pub. L. 102-484, Section 4462 and Pub. L. 103-160, Section 561, and DoD civilian personnel leaving the Government, and their spouses.

#### § 77.3 Definitions.

(a) Community service employment. Work in nonprofit organizations that provide or coordinate services listed in paragraphs (d) (1) through (12) of this section. "Nonprofit" is defined as having been recognized by the Internal Revenue Service as having a tax-exempt status under 26 U.S.C. 501 (c)(3) or (c)(4). These organizations shall not be administered by businesses organized

for profit, labor unions, partisan political organizations, or organizations engaged in religious activities, unless such activities are unrelated to religious instructions, worship services, or

- any form of proselytization. (b) Creditable early retirement public or community service employment for service members. Employment in a DoD-registered public and community service organization that provides the services listed in paragraphs (d) (1) through (12) of this section, or that coordinates the provision of the services listed in paragraphs (d) (1) through (12) of this section. Federal employment shall count toward recomputed military retirement pay and Survivor Benefit Plan base amount for early retirees: however, working in a DoD-registered Federal public service organization may trigger the dual-compensation restrictions of 5 U.S.C. 5532. Employment must have occurred between that date of early retirement and the date in which the Service member would have attained 20 years of credible service for computing retired pay, or he or she must have retired on or after October 23, 1992 and before October 1, 1999.
- (c) *Early retirement*. Retirement from active duty with at least 15 but fewer than 20 years of service, as provided by Pub. L. 102–484, Section 4403.
- (d) *Public and community service organization*. Government or private organizations that provide or coordinate the provision of the following services.
- (1) Elementary, secondary, or post secondary school teaching or administration.
- (2) Support of teachers or school administrators.
  - (3) Law enforcement.
  - (4) Public health care.
  - (5) Social services.
  - (6) Public safety.
  - (7) Emergency relief.
  - (8) Public housing.
  - (9) Conservation.
  - (10) Environment.(11) Job training.
- (12) Other public and community service not listed previously, but consistent with or related to services described in paragraphs(d)(1) through (11) of this section.
- (e) Public service employment. Work in a Federal, state or local government

organization which provides or coordinates services listed in paragraphs (d)(1) through (12) of this section.

- (f) Separation. Normal separation from activity duty or civil service, military retirement with 20 or more year's service, release from active military service, and reduction in force.
- (g) Transition assistance program counselor. A person charged with the responsibility of conducting transition programs. Examples include personnel assigned to family centers, military or civilian personnel offices, unit transition counselors, and as command career counselors.

## § 77.4 Policy.

It is DoD policy that:

- (a) All separating Service members and former members shall be encouraged to enter public or community service employment.
- (b) Service members determined to be eligible by the Secretary of their Military Department for, and who do request retirement with fewer than 20 years of service, are required by Pub. L. 102–484, Section 4403 to register for public and community service employment.
- (1) This registration normally shall take place not earlier than 90 days before retirement or terminal/transition leave
- (2) In order to have their military retired pay and Survivor Benefit Plan base amount (if applicable) recomputed in accordance with DoD Instruction 1340.19¹ early retirees must be employed with a DoD-registered public or community service organization that provides the services listed in sections 77.3(d)(1) through (d)(12), or that coordinates the provision of services listed in section 77.3(d)(1) through (d)(12).
- (c) DoD civilian personnel leaving the Government, their spouses, and spouses of Service members who are seeking employment shall be encouraged to register for public and community service employment.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Copies may be obtained, at cost, from the National Technical Information Service, 5285 Port Royal Road, Springfield, VA 22161.